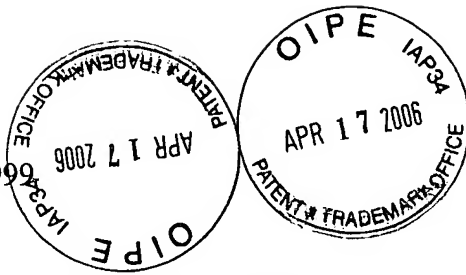


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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT AND
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 16, 2006, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, to prosecute the invention of Species I, directed to claims 1-12. However, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-12 read not only on Species I, which is herein elected, but also generic to Species II as well.

Applicants' respectfully request acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy of JP 2003-095219 and JP 2003-096044, which were filed with a Submission of Priority Documents on July 15, 2004. Attached is a copy of the Submission of Priority Documents and date-stamped postcard.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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